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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 02-1181-A)

In the Application of:

Baird, et al.

Serial No.: 10/727,680 ✓

Filed: December 4, 2003

Title: **Self-Referencing Biodetection Method
And Patterned Bioassays**

Art Unit: 1645

Examiner: Not Assigned

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

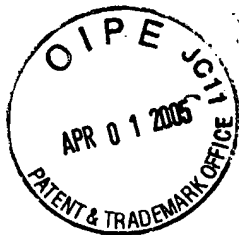
In regard to the above identified application,

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The last communication received from the Office in the above-mentioned case was a communication dated September 2, 2004. Applicant's respectfully request the status of the application.

Dated: March 30, 2005

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